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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I would like to express my support for Microsoft in regards to the antitrust settlement. To begin, this suit should not have been brought in the first place, but continuing litigation would prove to be even less fruitful, and rather unjust. All that has come out of this is a waste of time and money. Relatively speaking, the settlement is fair and it should stand the way it is.

Microsoft is a company that has brought commerce on a large scale to this country and should be allowed to continue to do so. If people get wealthy off of their own endeavors that should be commended, but Microsoft is being dragged through court. The terms of the settlement are more than fair. Among many other requirements, the company has agreed to make the internal interfaces available to competitors so that they may design software that runs more efficiently on a Windows platform, and there will be a committee that will monitor the actions of Microsoft and their adherence to the terms.

This settlement should be finalized and all proceedings against Microsoft should cease. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to voice my opinion on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

G. Allen